Amendments to the Claims / Claim Listing

A complete listing of the claims follows:

1. ***(withdrawn)*** A tissue shaping device adapted to be deployed in a lumen to modify the shape of target tissue adjacent to the lumen, the device comprising:

first and second anchors;

a connector disposed between the first and second anchors; and

a focal deflector disposed between the first and second anchors.

2. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 1 wherein the lumen has a lumen axis, the focal deflector being adapted to extend away from the lumen axis and toward the target tissue when the device is deployed in the lumen.

3. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 1 wherein the lumen has a lumen axis, the focal deflector being adapted to extend away from the lumen axis and away from the target tissue when the device is deployed in the lumen.

4. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 1 wherein the focal deflector comprises an expandable portion.

5. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 4 wherein the expandable portion is adapted to be self-expanding.

6. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 4 wherein the expandable portion is adapted to be expanded by an actuation force.

7. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 4 further comprising a lock locking the focal deflector in an expanded configuration.

8. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 1 further comprising an attachment element attaching the focal deflector to the connector.

9. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 1 wherein the focal deflector is integral with the connector.

10. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 9 wherein the focal deflector comprises a bend in the connector.

11. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 10 wherein the lumen has a lumen axis, the focal deflector being adapted to extend away from the lumen axis and toward the target tissue when the device is deployed in the lumen.

12. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 9 wherein the connector has a linear shape, the focal deflector comprising a local change to the linear shape.

13. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 12 wherein the connector linear shape is a curved line, the focal deflector comprising a portion of increased curve of the curved line.

14. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 9 wherein the focal deflector comprises a flattened portion of the connector.

15. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 1 wherein the focal deflector comprises an expandable anchor.

16. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 15 wherein the lumen has a lumen axis, the focal deflector further comprising a portion integral with the connector and adapted to extend away from the lumen axis and toward the target tissue when the device is deployed in the lumen.

17. ***(currently amended)*** A method of modifying target tissue shape comprising:

providing a tissue shaping device comprising proximal and distal anchors, a connector disposed between the proximal and distal anchors, and a focal deflector;

placing the tissue shaping device in a lumen adjacent the target tissue;

applying a shaping force from the focal deflector against a lumen wall to modify the shape of the target tissue; and

expanding the proximal and distal anchors to anchor the device in the lumen, wherein the expanding step comprises expanding the distal anchor to anchor within the lumen, applying a proximally directed force on the device, and expanding the proximal anchor while applying the proximally directed force.

18. ***(canceled)***

19. ***(original)*** The method of claim 17 wherein the lumen has a lumen axis, the placing step comprising orienting the focal deflector away from the lumen axis and toward the target tissue.

20. ***(original)*** The method of claim 17 wherein the lumen has a lumen axis, the placing step comprising orienting the focal deflector away from the lumen axis and away from the target tissue.

21. ***(withdrawn)*** The method of claim 17 wherein the applying step comprises expanding the focal deflector.

22. ***(withdrawn)*** The method of claim 21 wherein the expanding step comprises applying an actuation force to the focal deflector.

23. ***(withdrawn)*** The method of claim 21 further comprising locking the focal deflector in an expanded configuration.

24. ***(withdrawn)*** The method of claim 17 wherein the applying and expanding steps comprise:

expanding the distal anchor to anchor within the lumen;

applying a proximally directed force on the device;

expanding the focal deflector while applying the proximally directed force;

applying a proximally directed force on the device after expanding the focal deflector; and

expanding the proximal anchor while applying the proximally directed force of the previous step.

25. ***(withdrawn)*** A tissue shaping device adapted to be deployed in a lumen to modify the shape of target tissue adjacent to the lumen, the device comprising:

an expandable anchor;

a focal deflector;

a connector disposed between the anchor and the focal deflector; and

a tail extending from the focal deflector away from the anchor

26. ***(withdrawn)*** The tissue shaping device of claim 25 wherein the focal deflector comprises an expandable portion.

27. ***(withdrawn)*** The device of claim 25 wherein the lumen has a lumen axis, the focal deflector being adapted to extend away from the lumen axis and away from the target tissue when the device is deployed in the lumen.